



Community & Recreation Center Services Division
Sports and Fitness Section - Youth
Youth Baseball Information Summary

MECKLENBURG COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION

Mission: Enhancing community wellness through recreation, open space, and natural resources.

YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY

The three main goals for our youth sports programs are:

1. Safety

2. Fun

3. Participant development based on:

Everyone Plays: Provide opportunities to learn skills and improve conditioning by minimizing roster sizes and ensuring players play at least half of every game.

Balanced Teams: Build teams that are evenly balanced on age and experience. **Positive Coaching:** Train and encourage coaches to help develop a child's sense of self-worth.

Sportsmanship: Create a safe, fair, fun and positive environment based on mutual respect.

AGE DIVISIONS *(Age as of October 1, 2020)*

Coed: 5-6 Tee Ball, 7-8 Machine Pitch, 9-11 Machine Pitch

REGISTRATION PERIOD

Coed: September 9-September 30, 2020

Registration: **ON-LINE** at www.parkandrec.com or call (980) 314-1116

Length of Season: 6-8 Games depending on Number of teams and weather permitting, No County-wide tournament for any level.

Uniform package: 1 jersey, 1 pair of pants, 1 pair socks, 1 hat

Equipment Needed: Baseball glove, bats (7 years and up), batting gloves for personal hygiene. Cleats for added stability and traction to minimize slips and falls (no metal cleats, only molded rubber studs permitted) are highly recommended

Registration Fees:

\$55 6U **T-Ball**, \$60 8u & 11U **MACHINE PITCH**

May pay online with Visa, Master Card or Discover Card

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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VOLUNTEER YOUTH SPORTS COACHES

Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department Youth Sports Leagues rely heavily on the support of volunteer coaches. Anyone who may be interested in volunteering as a head or assistant coach should contact their preferred recreation center to begin the application process. **Any parent choosing to be a volunteer head coach will receive 1 fee waiver at the time of registration (limit 1).** All coaches will undergo a background screening process.

Teams may not be formed without a designated head coach.

COVID-19 MODIFICATIONS

Roster and rule modifications have been made to ensure we are following the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services guidelines for COVID 19. Extra safety precautions are in place as efforts to provide sanitization measures and proper social distancing.

PRACTICES/GAMES

When and where are practices/games played? Each team will have one practice the 1st and 2nd weekends of October (10-3 & 10-10). There will be **NO** practices when the season begins. Games will be played the weekends of October 17 thru November 21st. All games and practices are at **Revolution Park Fields**. Game schedules will be distributed by October 12th and will be as balanced as possible with regards to game days and times

Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department encourages and promotes inclusive leisure experiences in all of our programs, activities and sports. Inclusive leisure experiences encourage and enhance opportunities for people of varying abilities to participate and interact in life's activities together with dignity. It also provides an environment that promotes and fosters physical, social and psychological inclusion of people with diverse experiences and skill levels. Inclusion enhances individuals' potential for full and active participation in leisure activities and experiences.